

June 1, 2009

Mr. Jeff Durham Collin County Special Projects 825 N. McDonald, Suite 145 McKinney, Texas 75069

RE: Construction of Arts of Collin County (ACC) Regional Arts Park Open Space Enhancements

Dear Jeff:

Thank you for meeting with us over the past few months as we discussed the possible revision to the scope of work that had been previously approved in the amount of \$337,758. As we discussed, our request in 2006 was something that we will ultimately need to complete the open space portion of our Arts of Collin County project. It is the timing of this phase that has changed and therefore the ACC has decided to not proceed with the construction activities of Phase $2 - 3^{rd}$ Series Funding Cycle (attachment) and approved by the County Commissioners Court in October of 2006 and use the Bond Funds in the **Revised** Phase $3 - 4^{th}$ Series Funding Cycle of 2009. At the present time, ACC would like to rescind the amount of \$337,758 included in Phase $2 - 3^{rd}$ Series Funding Cycle. In addition, the Commissioners Court had previously approved the original Phase $3 - 4^{th}$ series for \$476,000, but an Inter-Local Agreement was never signed by the Court as the ACC withdrew the request since it was not ready to move forward with construction.

It is our intent to proceed with a request that will get the people of Collin County on the site to utilize trails and enjoy the beauty of the Rowlett Creek corridor, which will be connected to the Six-City trail that has already been completed by Craig Ranch to the north. The ACC wants to proceed with construction of trails that are included in the City of Allen Master Plan for Trails as part of the **Revised** Phase $3-4^{th}$ Series Funding Cycle of 2009 (Project) that include:

Ridgeview Drive

- Survey (\$5,000), Design (\$15,000) and Construct (\$184,000) Ridgeview Drive Trail (1,700 linear feet and 12' wide) along the frontage of Ridgeview Drive to the potential connection of Six Cities Trail at estimated cost of \$204,000 at \$10 per sq. ft.
- Survey, Design and Construc A tie in from the No Name Creek Trail (300 linear feet and 5' wide) to Ridgeview Drive trail to include a culvert crossing of No Name Creek at estimated cost of \$60,000.

Six Cities Trail

- Construct Six Cities Trail (2,400' linear feet and 12' wide) that ties into Ridgeview Drive Trail with estimated cost of \$172,800 at \$6 per sq. ft.
- Provide Culvert/Bridge across No Name Creek on Six Cities Trail at estimated cost of \$112,500.
- Provide for Permanent Concrete Parking of up to 20 spaces that include two handicap parking spaces at estimated cost of \$30,000.
- Provide Electric and Lighting along Six City Trail at estimated cost of \$40,000.
- Provide Signage for the project at estimated cost of \$10,000.

The goal is to have adequate parking and access from Ridgeview Drive for all residents of the county. It also will complete the trail along Ridgeview, connecting to the Six City Trail. This phase of the project is estimated at \$629,300. We also hope that by not using the \$337,758 at this time as well as the fact that the \$476,000 was not used, that this will be considered in the request we will be submitting. The ACC is working on the official submission of the revised 4th Series Funding and will be submitting by July 7, 2009. Thank you in advance for your support.

Sincerely yours,

E. Michael Simpson Executive Director

cc: Arts of Collin County Commission

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